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Response under 37 CFR 1.116

SIR:

In response to the final official action dated 11/08/04, permission is requested to amend the present application as indicated below under "Amendments to the claims":